

Dear Joshua,

I am very glad that Esther can come for the sake of whole Sweden. To have a Prize Scientist without a lady, and especially such a lady being herself worth at least a half or more Prize would be a sad occasion. Now, this lady would have her lifes occasion to make a nice fashion show for the press etc. but I guess that this is not Esthers ambition.

But still I hope she will enjoy the formal dinners for the sake of a beautiful evening dress (with long white gloves). This she would need on two occasions 1. the Festival Dinner 2. the Royal Dinner. I consulted Mrs. Caspersson who was present on both and she said that it is allright to have the same dress at both dinners but most of the ladies had different.

For the other dinners and receptions Esther would need a kind of coctail party dress when Joshua wears his dark suit. Any special advise on that I think is unnecessary. On the reception at the Lord Chanc house it is proper to wear a kind of hat (as I imagine you are not happy about it) and gloves. As for the reception at the American Emassy you might just follow American rules. I cannot give you any advise on the variation. If you add the numbers of dinners and receptions and divide it with a number according to Esthers inclination, and interest in dresses, and using as unit the above mentioned party dress you will be allright with a hat and gloves for the afternoon receptions. Now if you do not want to make the dividing and use the unit I would advise to have a dress with a jacket used in the early afternoon occasions, and the same dress somewhat decollte without jacket at the dinners. <sup>Even</sup> In the case of more then one this is a good thing to have. (advised from people who understand such things) If you in the rush of everything happening to you in these days cannot find the time, there are nice shops in Stockholm and maybe

on Monday we still can get the things you forgot, lost or could not  
manage to get.

See you soon, love

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